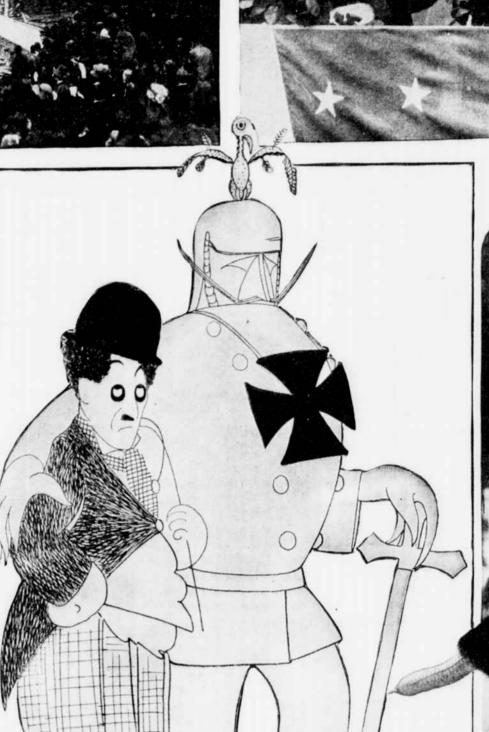


Fifteen Thousand Persons saw the launching, at Newport News, Va., of the superdread-naught Mississippi. The hull alone represents an expenditure of \$8,000,000. The complete ship will cost \$16,000,000, and will go into commission late in the fall. She will carry twelve 14-inch rifles, twenty-two_5-inch rapid-fire guns and four 3-inch anti-



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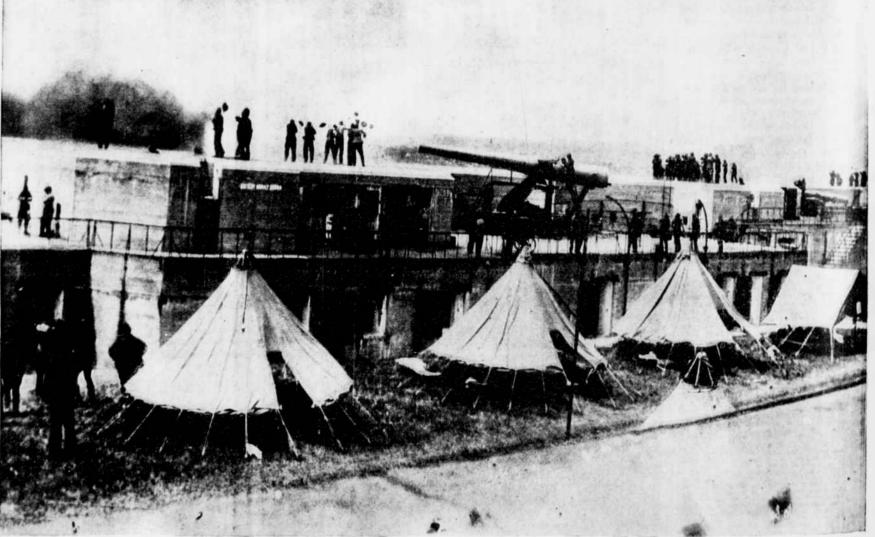
"Pals," a Spanish view of the Kaiser's showmanship. The caricaturist Bagaria has illustrated "Wilhelm's true kinship with Charlie Chaplin" in a way that has convulsed half of Europe.



Mr. and Mrs. Irving Brokaw obliged with an exhibition of fancy skating for the guests at their ice party, held at Frost Hill Lodge, the Brokaws country home at Mill Neck, L. I., a week ago yesterday.



Jack Monroe, the former heavyweight pugilist, has returned to Canada after serving with Princess Patricia's regiment in France. His right arm is paralyzed from the effects of a bullet wound in the shoulder. The dog is "Bobby Burns," mascot of the brave regiment. Paul Thompson



The breath of a 10-inch rifle, if the evidence of this photograph is to be believed, cannot be termed a zephyr. The hats of the men on the parapet were blown off by the "breeze" of the explosion and the photographer was lucky enough to "stop" them. The picture were made at Sandy Hook during recent rifle practice.

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